

FLEET REDUCES FOUR FORTS IN DARDANELLES

Dardanos, on Asiatic Side Is Destroyed by New Bombardment.

SHELLING OF OTHER DEFENCES GOES ON

Mine Sweeping, Now Possible Far Up Beyond Silenced Batteries.

DESTROYERS MAKE PERILOUS ADVANCE

More Troops and Guns Arrive Landed for Impending Joint Attack.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
ROME, March 25.—The allied fleet has made great progress in the Dardanelles operations within the past twenty-four hours, according to confidential information available here. It is learned that four forts on the Narrows have been virtually dismantled and that Fort Dardanos on the Asiatic side has been completely destroyed.

Mine sweeping is now possible through the Narrows, and the British and French warships are successfully bombarding the remaining defenses.

DESTROYERS' DASH.

British Vessels Penetrate Narrows and Escape Intact.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Star.

Losses of March 10th, 1914, after the Dardanelles has resulted in a renewal of activities by the Anglo-Fleet. A dispatch received here, from Constantinople, five miles from the straits, says that a vast bombardment of the forts on the Narrows had started again and that defences had replied weakly.

This dispatch also says that two British destroyers penetrated for some distance into the Narrows today, escaping even the feet of the enemy.

The destroyers were met with a hail of gunfire from the French and returned to the fleet in a regular pattern of observations. Two of the destroyers were seriously damaged by the shelling of March 15, but the Turkish admiral admitted. The venturesome craft was accompanied for some distance by Turkish battleships, but when within sight of the Narrows they shot ahead, many about at full speed and got away without being touched.

Battleships Reported.

A dispatch from Athens said the French flagship, *Infatigable*, and two French battleship sisters, which were out of action in the last campaign attack, have completed repairs and

According to reliable informants from refugees from the Dardanelles, the Turks suffered enormous losses in the attack of the allied fleet on May 19. The greater part of the heterogeneous power magazines being exploded, Turkish submarines and destroyers are said to have lost military value owing to misarranged arrangements.

To Resist Bulgarians: The rather despotism that has the Tuge fortifying Lido Hargha, 100 miles southeast of Arad, may be the possible attack of 1942.

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